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## VIRGINIA BAPTISTS PREPARE FOR GREAT STATE CONVENTION

(Charles Stewart)  
Lynchburg, Va., April 10.—This has been a busy year at the Virginia Theological Seminary and College, and Dr. Robert C. Woods, is busy preparing his report to make to the Virginia Baptist Convention which meets May 8, in Danville and promises to be the greatest in the history of the organization.

There has been some real work done during the past year. An administration, building costing little over one hundred thousand dollars is about completed, ninety thousand dollars has been paid on it and the effort will be to raise approximately forty thousand dollars to clear the building, and the institution will be free from all indebtedness.

Every Baptist in Virginia, in fact throughout the country, especially those who attended the institution, are urged by the president of the convention as well as the president of the school to take part in the raising of \$50,000 for education and mission.

During this year there is an enrollment of 527, with a faculty of 28. It is remarkable that the Negro Baptists of Virginia are practicing the doctrine of self-help and are meeting with abundant success.

We are going to have a great program," said Dr. T. J. King, "and there will be many ministers from out of the state. Our loyal friends and members from District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, New York and New England will be down and all promise to bring large contributions to assist in the great work which we are doing. We are not sitting waiting for our white friends to carry us along, for we are now full grown men and we are just showing the world that without talking."

The pastor, officers and members of Loyal Street Baptist Church, together with the other Baptists announce that everything is ready to entertain the large delegation. Plenty homes for all.

COL. W. HENRY JONES.  
Grand Patron of the Order of Eastern Star of Virginia Laid to Rest.

Col. W. Henry Jones passed peacefully away Sunday morn., at 2:15, April 2nd, at the Retreat for the Sick. He had been ill for some time.

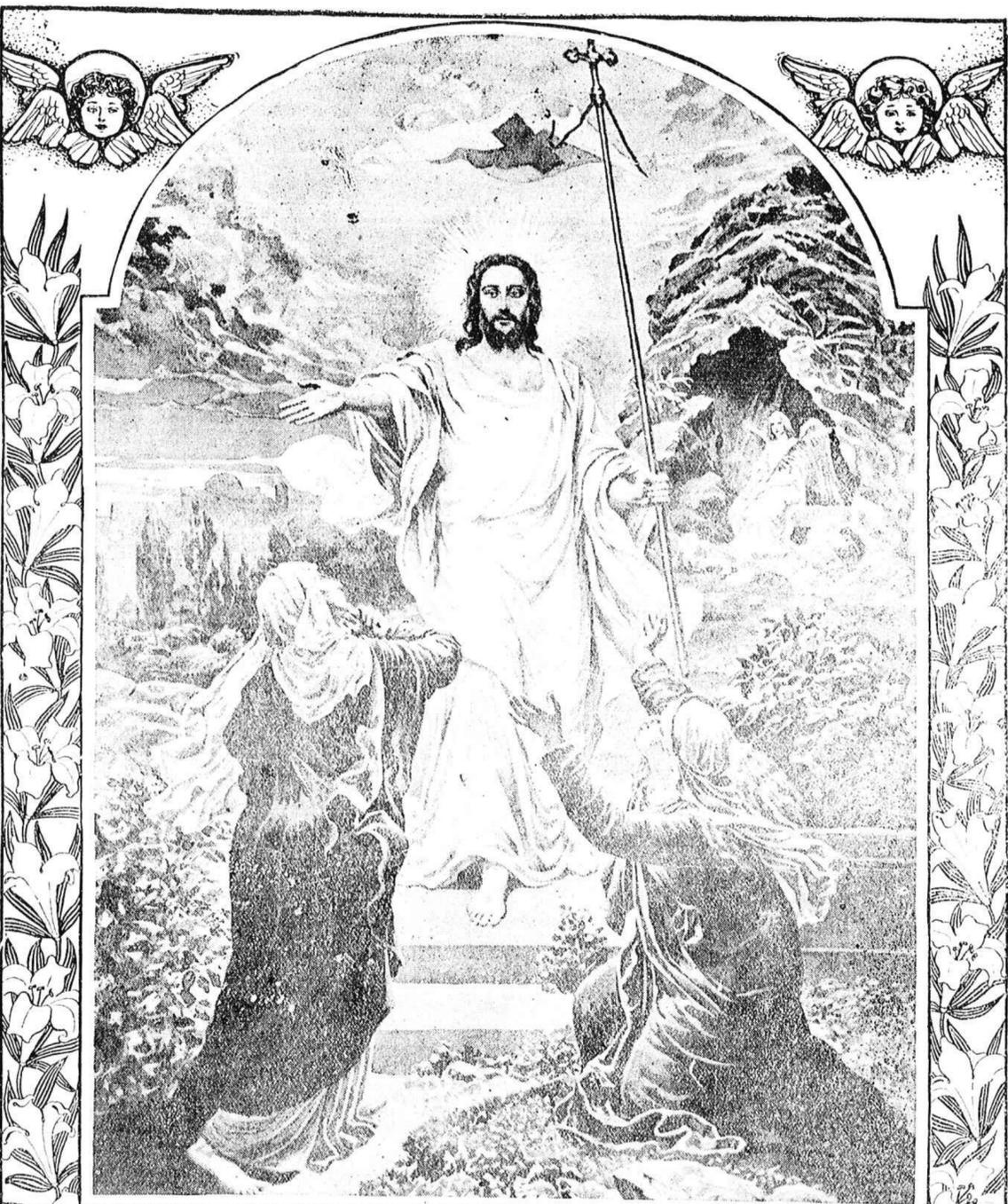
His funeral took place Tuesday, April 11th, from the First Baptist Church. He had been a faithful member of said church for a number of years. The 90th Psalm was read by Rev. R. O. Johnson. A fervent prayer was offered by Rev. S. C. Burch. The able Pastor, Dr. W. T. Johnson, preached a sympathetic sermon, which brought much comfort to the bereaved family. Solos were beautifully rendered by Mrs. Anna H. Davis, of Norfolk, Va., Mrs. Annie Deane and Miss Nellie Fisher.

He was prominently connected with the following organizations: Masons, Order of Eastern Star, a Colonel on the Brigadier General's Staff of the Uniform Rank of the Knights of Pythias, a member of the Order and Terra Vite Court, of Charlottesville. He was Grand Marshall of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, Knights of Pythias, member of Good Prospect Council, I. O. O. F., St. Luke. He was highly respected by the entire community.

The Order of Eastern Star was represented by the Grand Officers of the State. The floral designs were numerous and costly. Funeral director W. I. Johnson officiated. Interment in Woodland Cemetery.

MRS. LIZZIE B. LEWIS PASSES.  
Huntington, W. Va., April 4.—The death of Mrs. Lizzie B. Lewis, wife of Rev. A. D. Lewis, pastor of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, this city, on March 23 ult. following a brief illness from pneumonia, cast a gloom of sorrow, not only over the home of this good pastor, but over the entire community, where she had lived for more than thirty years. The entire family was at her bedside when she died.

Mrs. Lewis was a woman of excellent character, a devoted wife and mother and well known for her earnest Christian life, full of benevolence and beneficence. The funeral was held from the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, of which she was a charter member. Rev. J. D. Coleman, now of the Bluefield Colored



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Institute and the first pastor of this church, preached the sermon. Services were turned away unable to get in. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful. The funeral was attended by the Order of St. Luke, of which she was an honored member.

Mrs. Lewis leaves to mourn their loss, her husband, Rev. A. D. Lewis, and three sons, Albert D. Jr., Leonard J. and Rev. Lloyd O., all of whom are married and own their own homes. Rev. L. O. Lewis now dean of Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga., and held for several years an important pastorate in Lynchburg, Va., where he went on completing his theological education at Union University. The sympathy of the community goes out to this bereaved family.

Mrs. Emma Ellis Passed Away.  
Mrs. Emma Ellis departed this life Sunday, April 2, at 1:20 P. M. at the residence of her daughter and son-in-law, 914 1-2 N. Twenty-ninth Street, after a short illness. Her funeral took place Wednesday, April 5th from the Fourth Baptist Church, Rev. E. Payne, D. D. preached a most touching sermon, assisted by Rev. S. P. Robinson. A beautiful solo was rendered by Mrs. Rosa Tally.

She was a kind, devoted Christian. In the community she was highly esteemed by both white and colored. The floral tributes were many and

very beautiful. She leaves to mourn their loss, one daughter and son-in-law, Mrs. Nellie P. and Hosea Bookery, four grand children, two nieces and a host of friends.

Her remains were laid to rest by Undertaker, Deacon Alphonse Scott in Evergreen. Pallbearers were, Active Deacons John Scott, George Clay, Charles Stevens, Washington Bolling, Marshall Stevens, Preston Christian, Honorary, William Randall.

NATIONAL CEMETERY MEMORIAL.  
Memorial Exercises at the National Cemetery will take place Tuesday, May 30, 1922, under auspices of the George A. Custe, Post, No. 1, Grand Army of the Republic and W. A. Hankins Camp, No. 6, U. S. Spanish War Veterans. We ask the public to help make this a grand day. We ask you, prayerful consideration. All are welcome.

Richard Davis, Commander; Gus Hopson, Chairman; G. L. Branch, Secretary.

George W. Rison's Wife Dead.  
A telegram was received last Wednesday evening from George W. Rison announcing the death of his wife that day. Editor John Mitchell, Jr. had just arrived from New York but he wired him that he would be present at the funeral. Dr. E. R. Jefferson will accompany him.

In Memoriam.  
Entered into rest Eternal, April 9, 1921, A. D. PRICE, beloved husband of George A. and father of A. D. Price, Jr.

In God's Care.

In Memoriam.  
In sad but loving remembrance of our devoted sister and aunt, MARLETTA LILLIAN CHILES, who departed this life April 16th, 1921, one year ago:

"To live in hearts we leave behind, is not to die."  
Her devoted brother,  
JOHN R. CHILES and FAMILY

In Memoriam.  
Abingdon, Va., April 4, 1922. One year ago, April 7, ROBERT YOUNG left us and journeyed to that land not made with hands. We miss him; we miss him, but I hope some day we'll meet to part no more.

His loving wife,  
NANNIE E. YOUNG.

Rudolph Jordan Gone.  
Mr. Curtis Jordan had the misfortune to lose by death his brother, Rudolph Jordan. Interment was in Woodland Cemetery. Funeral Director Robert C. Scott had charge of the remains.

EVANS—THOMAS.  
Dr. and Mrs. Alexander S. Thomas request the pleasure of your company at the marriage of their daughter, Annie Earnestine, to Rev. Holman Wadsworth Evans, A. B., B. D., on Wednesday morning, April 26, 1922, at eleven o'clock, 816 North Fourth Street, Richmond, Va.

Pre-nuptial reception Tuesday, April 25, 1922, from 8 to 11 P. M. Friends invited. No cards.

Card of Thanks.  
Mrs. Lillie E. Jones takes this medium of thanking the many friends, neighbors of kindness shown her during the illness of her husband Mr. W. Henry Jones and the subsequent death. May the blessings of God rest upon each of you.

SALVATION ARMY EVANGELISTIC REVIVAL SERVICE.  
The Salvation Army, of Richmond, will conduct an Evangelistic Revival Service at Hood Temple, Adams and Clay Streets, Saturday, April 15th, at 8 P. M. Commissioner Thomas Estill will conduct the service and music will be rendered by the Chesapeake Divisional Brass Band. The doors will open at 7:15.

### FASHION SHOW CHIEF TO MAKE WEDDING GOWN.

Miss Mollie Mundeville, the advance agent for the big Spring Fashion Show here Tuesday evening April 18th at 8:30, Rayo Theatre, Second, near Marshall Street, has completed all details and arrangement here for the production of the National Designers of America.

The most costly outlay of finery, consisting mostly of imported French and Persian material will be shipped to Richmond in a day or two from the New York headquarters studio. In fact it will be by far the most elaborate production of finery any colored show has ever sent South from New York.

The wedding scene will be a distinct tribute in which colored society will achieve its European distinction. Preparations are being made for the handling of the huge wardrobe both here and the New York end. Several thousand dollars worth of material will be transported here for the big society event.

Mme. M. B. Cofer, the chief designer, is expected to arrive with the last consignment of material. The crowd at the Theatre Tuesday night will be handled by experts, who will see that everyone will be courteously treated. Mme. Cofer will show the Richmond audience some of her generosity by giving away one of her rich \$75.00 gowns.

The Bon Marche Wedding scene will be a production never before attempted by colored society in any theatrical stage. The bride's gown will be made in full view of the audience by Madam Cofer, the expert gown maker, in just thirty minutes, designed draped and completed.

Get your tickets now or you may not be able to get in the night of the show on account of the crowd. Tickets on sale at Millers Hotel Pharmacy, Howard Pharmacy, First and Jackson, Brown's Pharmacy, West Leigh St., St. Luke Hall, Sampson's, Tansorial Parlors and all the Dress-makers.

The purpose of the Association is to establish a ready-to-wear house for women in New York City. All gowns in this show are made by colored artists and will be worn by living models.

Mrs. Carrie C. Hawkins of Fourth Street will exhibit her artistic hats on living models. As we go to press we see that Mme. Fannie DeKnight, formerly a Richmond school teacher, now a dramatic teacher in New York will entertain us between the acts. Please don't miss this wonderful treat we have for you.

### DEBATING AT VIRGINIA UNION UNIVERSITY.

All arrangements for the annual triangular debate between Lincoln, Howard and Union Universities are rapidly being perfected. There is a determination on the part of every Unionite to do all in his power that Union may win from each of the other members of the triangle. At the preliminary held in the University Chapel on Saturday night March 18th the following men were selected to represent the Red and Steel in the forensic world for the school year: L. M. Tobin; H. J. McGuinn; G. W. Hicks; J. R. Henderson; P. D. Johnson and A. L. Harris.

L. R. Best and C. L. Franklin were chosen as alternates.

Each of these sons of Union is conscious of the grave responsibility rests upon him in maintaining the invincible record made by Union in the debating world in the days of E. S. Smith, V. D. Johnson, C. H. Johnson and C. H. Thompson, the names of whom will ever be immortalized at Union for their power to baffle opponents and sway judges as well as audiences with their oratory and logic.

Each debator is working assiduously to duplicate Union's victory of last year over Howard and to avenge the defeat by Lincoln.

The debate will be held Friday night April 28th. Subject: Resolved, "The Employers should abandon the Open Shop in American Industries." Union will defend the negative side of the question at home against Lincoln and the affirmative side at Washington against Howard. The alumni and friends of Union are expected to be present to this the intellectual climax of the season.

P. D. JOHNSON,  
Va. Union University.

### THE STRAND THEATRE.

The lease on the Strand Theatre, held by the Jake Wells interests, (white) will soon expire. The present rental is \$8,000.00 per year and this will in all probability be doubled by the other theatrical enterprise seeking to get possession of this playhouse.

It will be remembered that the structure was purchased by President John Mitchell, Jr., of the Merchant Savings Bank. Bonds to the amount of \$100,000 were issued recently, with the American Trust Company as agent and these will be shortly placed on the market for purchase by the small investor. The value of the building is now estimated to be \$250,000.00.

### THE SALVATION ARMY.

Commissioner Thomas Estill, a Salvation Army leader of worldwide experience and many laurels will visit Richmond and many lauds will visit Richmond and will conduct an Evangelistic Meeting in the Hood Temple between Adams and Clay Street, Saturday, 15th inst., at 8 P. M.

Commissioner Estill has been connected with the Salvation Army for over forty years, he having been associated with the founder of the movement. The organization was known as the Christian Mission when Estill, as a young man in his home city of Whitby, England threw in his lot with William Booth in his plan for world-wide evangelization.

He is of a very practical turn of mind, his efforts for the amelioration of the woes and miseries of mankind have been of a very direct nature and Estill Colony in South Africa bears eloquent testimony to his genius for finding a workable solution to the city's problems of unemployment.

Fourteen years ago Commissioner Estill was appointed to the direction of the Army's activities in the western states with headquarters at Chicago and two years ago in the reorganization plan of the movement assumed control of all work in the eastern and southern states.

The great leader is an ardent Bible student and it would do you good to listen to him. Don't miss hearing him in the Hood Temple between Adams and Clay Streets, Saturday evening of this week at 8 P. M.

### Death of Romulus C. Jackson.

Died at St. Phillips Hospital, April 9, 1922, at five months' illness, Romulus C. Jackson, older son of Mrs. Jennie V. Jackson, of Blackstone, Va.

He had been a patient at the hospital since November, 1921 and he bore his affliction with extreme calm, endurance and fortitude. His mother, made frequent visits to the city to administer to his needs and comforts.

Serious efforts were made to prolong his life and at one time there was marked improvement in his condition, but his case baffled the skill of the medical fraternity, until Sunday, just as the evening shadows began to darken the western sky, silently and peacefully, his soul winged its flight to the God who gave it. His mother and other members of the family were at his bedside when the end came.

The remains were taken to Blackstone, Va., where the funeral services were held at the Epiphany P. E. Church, Wednesday, April 12, 1922, at noon.

### GRAND LECTURE AT THE TRUE REFORMERS HALL.

Come and hear a Grand Easter Lecture at the True Reformers Hall, Monday night, April 17th, at seven o'clock by General E. L. Gaines, one of our greatest orators and high officials from New York, who is here looking over the work of the Richmond Division of the Universal Negro Improvement Association. His subject will be, "The Negro the Builder of the World Before Adam." You cannot afford to miss hearing General Gaines. Admission 25 cents.

S. H. GREEN, President.  
B. L. JOHNSON, Secretary.

### Prof. H. S. Crawford, a teacher at A. H. S. left on Thursday for his home in Washington, where he will spend the Easter holidays.

Attorney W. F. Deemy is in charge of the estate of the late Joseph N. Myers. It is valued at approximately \$10,000.00.

Dr. E. Lee Brown, the eye, ear and throat specialist is doing a prosperous business at his office, corner of Third and Clay streets, and is building up a most satisfactory patronage.

Mrs. Annie B. Garrett, of Philadelphia, Pa. brought the remains of her son here last week for interment in Woodland Cemetery. She is sister of Mr. Abram L. Morton, 310 E. Leigh Street. Funeral Director C. P. Hayes was in charge of the remains.